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To: Microsoft ATR
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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

Dear Judge Kollar-Kotally,

Your honor, I am stating my objection to the Final Settlement agreed upon between the Department of Justice and Microsoft. I wanted to point out several underlying flaws attributed to the Proposed Final Judgment.

One noticeable flaw encompasses an inept enforcement device implementing restrictions. The settlement in other words closely monitors and screens all of Microsofts business activities. This close scrutiny insures MS complies with all restrictions entailed in the agreement.

A three man compliance team will oversee and insure that Microsoft comply with the stated rules and regulations. Yet, this three-man oversight committee will be composed of the following: one appointee from the Justice Department, one appointee from Microsoft, and another appointee chosen by the two existing members. In turn, Microsoft will control half of the oversight team.

Also, in the likelihood of any enforcement proceeding, all findings by the oversight committee will not be allowed into court. The sole purpose of the committee is to inform the Justice Department of all infractions by Microsoft. Subsequently the Justice Depart will launch its own investigation into the matter and commence litigation to halt all infractions. When all is said and done, the oversight committee is just window dressing, who will not strictly oversee Microsofts business moves?

In my opinion, the Proposed Final Judgment does not provide appropriate restrictions against Microsoft. What reassurance do we have against Microsofts illegal and illicit activities? I can assure you that the Proposed Final Judgment does not effectively nor sufficiently address the question. In conclusion, I submit your honor my objection to the final settlement in the Microsoft case.

Sincerely,

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